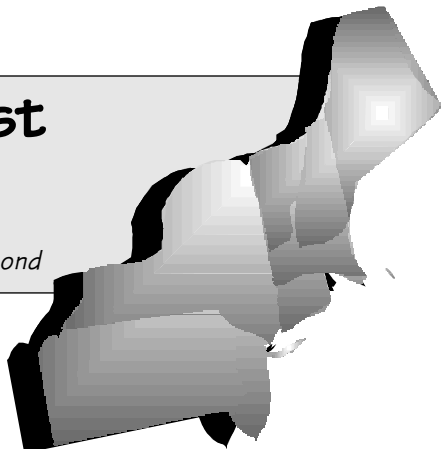


Reporting the accomplishments of CAP members worldwide

Northeast Region

Commander
Col. Joseph A. Guimond



MAINE — Maj. John Bartosenski was accompanied by five senior and five cadet members of the Downeast Patrol Squadron to the annual Maine Wing Conference in Presque Isle, Maine.

Capt. Howard Glefke was chosen senior of the year and the squadron's cadet display tied for second place.

Cadet Master Sgt. Christopher Siefken and Cadet Staff Sgt. Eric Deacon will represent the Maine Wing at the Pararescue Orientation Course at George Washington National Forest, Va., this summer.

The squadron is holding a series of fund raisers to help send its cadets to PJOC and the summer encampment, and help with its expansion program. The rapidly growing squadron has outgrown its headquarters building and is adding a 24' X 60' extension with a volleyball court.

Senior and cadet members also joined in the search for a missing man in the Bangor area, who was later found by fishermen in a dense wooded area.

Cadet Capt. Shawn Merchant, flight commander, enlisted in the Air Force and left for Texas to start basic training. He was chosen outstanding first year cadet at his first encampment, outstanding cadet officer the following year, and became encampment commander in 1995. Before leaving for the Air Force, he completed the requirements for the Amelia Earhart Award.

Maj. Robert King, Cadet Master Sgt. Christopher Siefken, Cadet Staff Sgt. Eric Deacon and Cadet Master Sgt. Allen Lerner were guest speakers at the Bar Harbor American Legion in May.

Lt. Col. Viola M. Sargent

PENNSYLVANIA — Members of the Capital City Composite Squadron 302 conducted basic ground search and technique training in May for approximately 150-200 Boy Scouts at their Hidden Valley camp in Perry County, Pa.

Senior Member 1st Lt. Dana Bohn, Cadet Lt. Col. Bili McPheat and Cadet Capt. Mike Bohn provided instruction for five separate classes covering topics such as ground search information and data collection, information analysis, task assignments, equipment requirements, and search techniques and methods.

The topics were discussed and examined in detail, stressing the need for teamwork and cooperation. The scouts actively

participated in the discussion.

Each class had an opportunity to apply their knowledge by participating in an actual ground search. A search area was predetermined and prepared by Colonel McPheat and Captain Bohn. Scout teams were instructed on search methods and commands, provided with search items and area information, and given a compass heading.

At the conclusion of the search, each team was evaluated and critiqued by Colonel McPheat who reviewed the teams' overall performance and methods employed. Afterwards, Colonel McPheat and Captain Bohn provided helpful hints.



Two World War II veterans receive bronze eagle statues for their many years of service to the Civil Air Patrol. From left, Lt. Col. Allan F. Pogorzelski, Lt. Col. Cornelius "Casey" Vanderveen, Lt. Col. Alfred H. Trieber Jr., and Maj. Ken Andreu, all of New York's South Eastern Group.

Scouts were also provided with a question-and-answer period following the presentation.

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The Capital City Composite Squadron 302 Ranger Team was honored in March for winning the Pennsylvania Wing Ranger Team Competition for the fourth time in the past five years at a banquet held at the Holiday Inn in New Cumberland, Pa.

In honor of winning the competition, the team was presented the "Col. Phillip F. Neuweiler Ranger Team Competition Award."

Seven teams from across the state competed in the October 1995 event. Team members were: Maj. Paul J. McDonough, senior ranger team commander; Cadet Lt. Col. Brandon Woll, team commander; Cadet Lt. Col.

Eric L. Gunnet; Cadet Maj. Thomas Trembecki; Cadet 1st Lt. Thomas Miller; Cadet 2nd Lt. Michael D. Bohn; Cadet First Officer Jennifer Velencia; Cadet First Officer Warren Anderson; Cadet Master Sgt. Allison Murphy; Cadet Technical Sgt. Joshua Milkovich; Cadet Staff Sgt. Lukasz Trembecki; and Cadet Sgt. Tobias Long.

Major McDonough presented the "Civil Air Patrol Certificate of Lifesaving" to Colonel Woll for saving the life of a fellow skydiver who lost his leg in a midair collision with another jumper in November 1995, in Louisburg, N.C.

Colonel Woll was also presented a "Certificate of Acceptance" to the class of the year 2000 at the Military Academy in West Point.

Other honored guests were Col. J.P. Habets, Pennsylvania Wing commander, Command Sgt. Maj. John A. Kline, guest speaker and command sergeant major for Public Affairs, Army National Guard, Fort Indiantown Gap in Annville, Pa.

Major McDonough was presented with the "Maj. Hubert Waskovich Team Commander Award." Lieutenant Bohn was presented with "Squadron Cadet of the Year" for 1995.

while Colonel Vanderveen flew 24 missions in P-51 Mustangs in the European theatre. Colonel Vanderveen is credited with destroying four enemy aircraft.

Both men joined CAP after the war while still in the Air Force reserve. Colonel Trieber joined in 1953 and Colonel Vanderveen in 1960. Both men have been active mission pilots for the CAP, flying search and rescue and disaster relief missions throughout the northeast region of New York. On occasion, they fly as far away as Ohio and Mississippi. Colonel Vanderveen has participated in more than 50 missions in this capacity; Colonel Trieber in almost 250.

From the beginning, Colonel Trieber was involved in operations — first in the Yonkers Squadron, then in the Mount Vernon Squadron and finally as

the Westchester Group air operations officer in 1970.

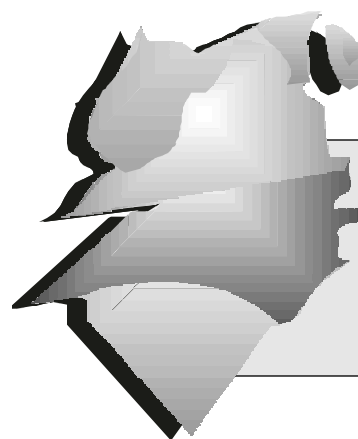
Colonel Vanderveen worked initially as a personnel officer in the Hudson Valley Composite Squadron and eventually became squadron commander in 1966. In 1977, he was appointed the Westchester Group inspector. By 1987, he had earned the New York Wing Inspector of the Year Award four times.

The two officers were presented with bronze eagle statues with engraved plaques commemorating their years of service to the CAP in Westchester. The gifts were presented by New York Wing Vice Commander and former Westchester Group Commander Lt. Col. Allan F. Pogorzelski and New York South Eastern Group Commander Maj. Ken Andreu.

Maj. Ken Andreu

Middle East Region

Commander
Col. Herman H. Maddox



NORTH CAROLINA —

Members of the Shelby Composite Squadron in Shelby, N.C., learned how to save lives from paramedic Bob Chadwick, of Shelby Rescue.

Cadets and senior members attended a nine-hour hands-on cardiopulmonary resuscitation class in March.

Members learned how to recognize and respond to heart attack victims using CPR and to assess the scene for resources in a timely manner.

Also, squadron members were recognized for their efforts by *The Cleveland Observer* in a two-page newspaper article with photos, published in an April issue.

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In March, Tommy Bridges and Gene Meade participated in a mission search for an elderly woman who was reported missing in Transylvania County. The squadron aircrew faced strong winds in the mountains, but persisted in the search. In the last report given, the woman had not yet been found.

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Tony Miller and Jeff Elmore attended a recent Commander's Call in Hickory, N.C., and reported future efforts for Civil Air Patrol, which will include upgrading and expanding the training program for members.

Miller reported an 87-percent completion rate of Level I achievement and announced the

expansion of in-house training that will offer Level I and Extension Course Institute 13.

1st Lt. Doris Cooper

MIDDLE EAST REGION —

Fourteen members of the Middle East Honor Guard were recently invited to perform at Civil Air Patrol's Legislative Day and Congressional Reception held at the Rayburn House Office Building in Washington, D.C., in April.

Virginia Wing members were: Cadet Capt. Nick Freeland,



Cadet Airman Casey White, of North Carolina's Hickory Composite Squadron, traveled to Shelby, N.C., for a safety course in cardiopulmonary resuscitation.



Members of the Middle East Region Honor Guard perform at Civil Air Patrol's April congressional reception in Washington, D.C.

Cadet Maj. **Brooke Elliott**, and Cadet 2nd Lt. **Joey Craven**, the Virginia Wing Honor Guard commander.

Members of the Maryland Wing were: Cadet 2nd Lt. **Wayne Green**, Cadet 2nd Lt. **Robert Fornan**, Cadet Sgt. **April Heinbigner**, Cadet Sgt. **Jason Duke**, Cadet Lt. **Fred Smalkin**, and Cadet Maj. **Clint Green**, the Middle East Region Honor Guard commander.

National Capitol Wing members were: Cadet 2nd Lt. **Marco Campbell**, Cadet Sgt. **Robert Bandy**, Cadet Airman First Class **Ronald Baudy**, Cadet Airman **Tori Cavanaugh** and Cadet Airman **Steve Smidt**.

Senior staff members of the Middle East Region Honor Guard from Virginia are Capt. **Bonnie Braun** and Maj. **Sandy McInturif**.

Maryland staff included Maj. **Anne Culver**, 1st Lt. **Jon Royer**, Capt. **Bob Hawkins**, Capt. **Karl Donhauser**, Lt. Col. **Fred Smalkin**, Lt. Col. **Fete Gross** and **Johnnetta Maybew**, who is also the Middle East Honor

Guard commander.

Maj. **Dave Graybeal** is the senior staff member for the National Capitol Wing Honor Guard.

Members of the Middle East Region Honor Guard received extensive training from Air Force Airmen **Colin Madrid** and **Michael Schneidt**, both from Bolling Air Force Base.

The honor guard put on several short performances — each one different — during the reception.

Members from all over the country attended the reception, which was an excellent opportunity for CAP members to meet and socialize with many of the senators and congressmen who attended.

Awards were presented by National Commander Brig. Gen. **Richard L. Anderson** to several public officials.

Maj. Linda J. Utting

VIRGINIA — Members from five Virginia Wing units in the southwest spent an April weekend practicing their

orienting, patient recovery, and emergency locator transmitter finding skills at Breaks Interstate Park, which lies between the Virginia and Kentucky state line.

During the training, 10 senior and 16 cadet members followed an orienteering course laid out through the park's heavily forested terrain while they practiced their skills using maps and compasses. Afterward, an evening session was conducted and lasted well into the night before all searchers returned to base camp where they stayed the night.

The group practiced direction finding skills locating an ELT signal in a deep ravine where a "victim" suffering from "multiple injuries" was located. Once the victim was found, training then centered on using proper evacuation skills to safely carry the packaged "patient" to the road.

Also during the sessions, several members took the Commonwealth's field team member and team leader examinations for state certification. Successful completion, accompanied with certain CAP skills, will allow team members to achieve certification, which meets specific search and rescue qualifications.

The annual SAR training weekend was hosted by Maj. **Ken Smith**, Virginia Wing aerospace education officer. He was assisted by Maj. **Bob Wingfield**, of the wing emergency services staff, and Maj. **Mike Kirk**, Group 1 commander.

2nd Lt. Donna Johnson

VIRGINIA — The Montgomery

Composite Squadron in Blacksburg, Va., held a recruiting and publicity drive during the Tour DuPont. Local organizations, including the Montgomery squadron, set up booths for the race as the participants passed through Blacksburg.

The recruiting drive appeared to be successful.

2nd Lt. Ami A. Iacono

VIRGINIA — Three former and current Burke Composite Squadron members have been accepted for admission to the U.S. Air Force Academy.

The cadets will leave for the Academy in June, when they will become part of the Academy's Class of 2000.

The cadets selected are: **Steven Leutner**, **Michael Deaver**, and **Paula Kelly**.

Cadet Leutner is still active in the Burke Squadron and has become extremely active at the

wing and regional levels.

Cadet Deaver is active in the Colorado Wing, where he transferred last fall. He was one of the first cadets to join the Burke Composite Squadron.

Cadet Kelly will be entering the academy after a year of training at the New Mexico Military Institute.

In May, the Burke Squadron held its annual awards ceremony in recognition of outstanding leadership and participation of members in squadron activities.

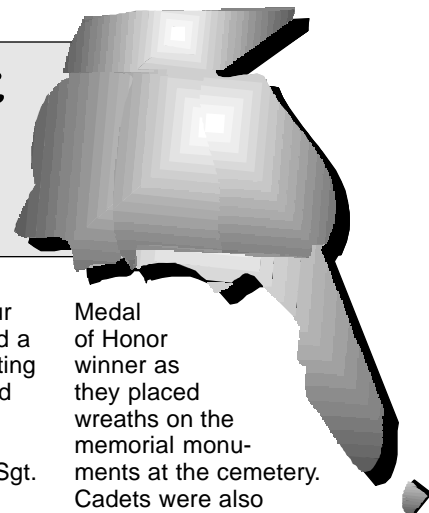
Cadet **Thomas McKee** was honored as cadet of the year. Senior member of the year award was presented to Squadron Commander **Steven Piehl**.

In recognition of providing the squadron with year-long "spark," the first-ever Spark Plug Awards were presented to Cadet **Aaron MacLean** and Senior Member **Larry Yarger**.

Senior Member Larry Yarger

Southeast Region

*Commander
Col. Richard L. Bowling*



ALABAMA — The Decatur Composite Squadron provided a drill demonstration and recruiting booth in May at the Sports and Company as a part of their Memorial Day activities.

Maj. **Pat Mitcham**, Cadet Sgt. **Keith Conrad**, Cadet Airman **Sterling High**, Cadet Airman **Wendy Vigo**, Airman First Class **Sagar Savant** and Airman **Josh Harbison** were at the booth to answer questions and demonstrate basic drill techniques throughout the day.

Also in May, the squadron was invited to participate in Memorial Day ceremonies at Rose Hill Cemetery with the veteran groups of Morgan County, including the Veterans of Foreign War and American Legion.

Cadets escorted the Gold Star Mothers and the widow of a

Medal of Honor winner as they placed wreaths on the memorial monuments at the cemetery. Cadets were also responsible for raising and lowering the flag to half mast during the opening ceremonies.

Senior Members attending were: Capt. **Bill Braddock**, Capt. **Jim Beauchamp**, Lt. **Diana Beauchamp**, and Senior Member **Alexia Berenbak**.

Cadet members attending were: Cadet Airman First Class **Michelle Beauchamp**, Cadet Airman **Wendy Vigo**, Cadet Airman **Josh Harbison**, Cadet Airman First Class **Joel Berenbak**, Cadet Airman **Sterling High**, and Cadet Airman First Class **Sagar Savant**.

Squadron parents attending with the cadets were Airmen **Vigo's** and **Harbison's** mother.

Maj. Patricia H. Mitcham

ALABAMA — The Alabama Wing held its annual banquet in Birmingham in May.

During the awards ceremony, Anniston Composite Squadron 118 received several unit and individual awards.

Lt. Col. **Lawrence Adams** received a Service Award and the Commander's Commendation Award from Alabama Wing Commander Col. **Angelo Petelos** for outstanding performance as commander of the Anniston Squadron.

Senior Member **Wayne Hill** and Chaplain **Jack Causey** received the Charles Yeager Aerospace Award.

Senior Member **Hans Gray** was selected as Public Affairs

Right place, right time

MARYLAND — **Tori Cavanaugh** was standing outside her home Jan. 22 wondering if the couple who hired her as their new baby-sitter for their two boys, Andrew and Christopher, needed her that evening.

As she was asking her mother if she should go ask, there was a tremendous crash, along with a squealing of tires and breaking glass. **Tori** and her mother dropped everything to run and see if anyone had been injured.

When they arrived on the scene, they heard cries from the back seat where Andrew and Christopher were sitting. The father, **Nelson Leonburger**, was getting out of the car. Worried about his boys, he checked them for serious injuries before releasing their seatbelts and removing them from the car.

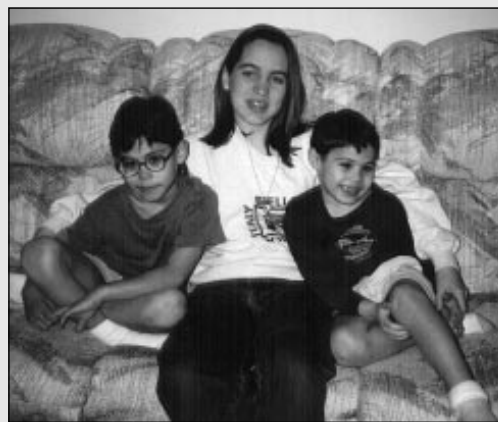
Thanks to **Tori's** quick thinking, she helped assess that Andrew had a bump on the side of his head and Christopher was OK, even before the ambulance arrived. Mr. Leonburger had suffered some back and shoulder injuries.

Tori rode to the hospital with the boys so they

wouldn't be frightened.

Mr. Leonburger and the boys were released from the hospital that evening. Everyone was thankful that **Tori** was there to help. The boys are happy to have a new sitter like **Tori**.

Tori is a cadet with the Andrews Squadron at Andrews Air Force Base, Md., and a member of the National Capitol Wing Honor Guard. She received first aid training through the Civil Air Patrol.





From left, Capt. Don Young, Capt. Tammy Young, Capt. Hans Gray, Lt. Col. Lawrence Adams (with Air Force Trophy), Cadet Randall Ginn and Capt. Susan Gray were recently honored at the Alabama Wing annual awards banquet.

Officer of the Year for the Alabama Wing.

In addition to the individual awards, Anniston Composite Squadron 118 received a Unit Citation from Civil Air Patrol National Headquarters for exceptional and meritorious service during 1995.

The Alabama Wing Squadron of the Year Award was presented to the Anniston Squadron. Along with the award, the squadron will retain the Air Force Association CAP Trophy for the coming year.

In Calhoun County, the Anniston Squadron works with the Calhoun County Emergency Management Agency to provide, among other services, aerial monitoring of evacuation routes in case of an emergency evacuation, and aerial damage assessments after weather related emergencies. The squadron also supports local law enforcement agencies by providing aerial reconnaissance and communications support. During 1995, the squadron was involved in three separate search and rescue operations for missing aircraft.

CAP recently cosponsored an aerospace education workshop in Anniston, Ala., at which Astronaut Hank Harsfield was the featured speaker.

Capt. Hans Gray

FLORIDA — In preparation for a planned search and rescue exercise scheduled in May, which was to be monitored by U.S. Air Force liaison officers, Squadron Public Affairs Officer Capt. **Les Schwartz** sent press releases to local television stations and newspapers approximately 10 days before the event.

Reporters and cameramen from both the local ABC-TV affiliate stations (WPBF) and the *Boca Raton News* covered the simulated mission. While Captain Schwartz was interviewed, he described the role of the Civil Air Patrol and its search and rescue capabilities. He was also shown pre-flighting a C-172 prior to leaving on his sortie.

The newspaper reporters conducted thorough interviews of several participants and produced a well-rounded article highlighting the role of volunteers in the CAP organization.

By chance, the news footage

about the CAP exercise immediately followed coverage of two recent crashes of seaplanes operated by an air service from Key West, Fla., thus the importance of CAP's search and rescue role took on an added significance and interest.

The Boca Raton Squadron, which was formed in 1980, is a senior squadron with more than 60 members, several of whom are former military or airline pilots, and a number of whom fly their own aircraft. This experience proved to be helpful when one of the C-172s, which should have flown during the SAREX, was grounded due to a faulty mag switch. One of the squadron members rolled out his airplane and the mission continued on schedule.

Although the exercise wasn't an actual mission, it provided a solid opportunity to communicate the CAP story to the public. "America's best kept secret isn't such a secret any more in the Boca Raton, Fla., area," said one squadron member.

Capt. Les Schwartz

FLORIDA — Several exciting activities are happening in the Stuart Cadet Squadron of Stuart, Fla., such as recently adding Capt. **Joseph Rand** as unit chaplain.

Cadet Flight Officer **William Fox** was presented the Mitchell Award Certificate. He still plans on entering into military service after he finishes school.

Cadet 2nd Lt. **Erika Laing** plans on attending the Blue Beret Encampment and five other cadets are looking forward to the MacDill AFB Encampment in Florida. They have already mailed their applications and full payment in order to attend.

The Martin County Airport manager is encouraged by the activities of Civil Air Patrol and continues to allow Stuart Cadet Squadron use of the airport and its facilities.

Maj. Al Kasten

FLORIDA — 2nd Lt. **Trish Turner**, public affairs officer for the Orlando Cadet Squadron, is also church secretary at the Apopka Highland Seventh-day Adventist Church in Apopka, Fla.

Cindy Kurtzshals, communications director for the Florida

Conference of Seventh-day Adventist, invited Lieutenant Turner to the March meeting of the Central Florida Press Club. Several local television news reporters, radio hosts and others involved in the media industry attended also. The participants introduced themselves by telling what organizations they were involved in.

Once the meeting adjourned, Lieutenant Turner was asked to interview for a 30-minute program by **Allen Moore**, who is affiliated with radio station WDBO 580 AM. She agreed and was able to bring her son, who has been a cadet for two years.

The interview, which aired in March, referred to Lieutenant Turner's involvement in CAP. The two members explained the three missions CAP conducted and listed all of the Group 6 squadrons and locations.

Lieutenant Turner also gave the telephone number for the Central Florida Senior Squadron and notified the Florida Wing Internet about the interview.

Several people who know Lieutenant Turner personally said they learned a lot about CAP. Capt. **Zee Delic**, commander of the Central Florida Senior Squadron, said more calls than usual were logged in at his squadron after the radio interview.

Allen Moore has asked for another CAP interview for another station and expects to do more interviews in the future. Maj. **Jenny Wertz**, of the Sabal Cadet Squadron, will be speaking about CAP in the upcoming interview.

2nd Lt. Trish Turner
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The Civil Air Patrol flag flew high recently during the 33rd Annual Massing of the Colors held at Lake Eola in downtown Orlando.

Cadet Master Sgt. **Murtice Tucker** and Cadet Master Sgt. **Shane Turner**, members of the Orlando Cadet Squadron, represented CAP as they performed color guard duties for the event.

As the only CAP representatives participating, the members were asked many questions about CAP. Along with Public Affairs Officer 2nd Lt. **Trish Turner**, who accompanied them, they were glad to be of assistance.



One retired Air Force colonel even indicated an interest in joining CAP.

The keynote speaker for the ceremony was Capt. **Gregg VV. Southgate**, U.S. Navy commander of the Naval Training Center in Orlando. He spoke about patriotism and challenged young people to become involved in JROTC, ROTC and CAP units.

The Orlando Cadet Squadron hopes it will be asked to participate in the massing of the colors every year.

2nd Lt. Trish Turner

TENNESSEE — Tennessee Wing's Group III had a busy spring with a variety of activities for all members in the group.

Cadets from three of the

Those participating included cadets and seniors from the Putnam County Squadron, Robertson County Squadron, Berry Field Squadron, Smyrna Squadron, Oak Ridge Squadron and Sumner County Squadron.

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While training for a search and rescue mission, members of Group III had a paper exercise in which every person learned how to do their job without ever leaving the building.

The exercise was held at the group headquarters in the Old Control Tower at Nashville International Airport in May. Each member present was given an assignment and instructed to carry it out as efficiently as possible.

SQUADRON OF YEAR



Florida Wing Commander Col. George Pringle presents Marco Island Senior Squadron Commander Donn May the 1996 State of Florida Squadron of the Year Award for the second consecutive year.

group's squadrons formed a drill team that worked diligently with Capt. **Jamie Blair**, Capt. **Darrell Hamm**, Lt. **Alys Blair** and other senior members of the Berry Field Squadron. They prepared for participation in the wing drill team competition held at the Air National Guard Base at the Smyrna airport in March.

The Group III team placed first in two categories and learned to work together as a team.

Recently cadets from Group III enjoyed a day at the Air and Space Center in Huntsville, Ala. The tour was arranged by Cadet Programs Officer **Paul Warren**.

Lt. Col. **Herb Snapp** was in charge of the exercise and was assisted by members and squadron commanders. A number of computers programmed for the paperwork exercise were in place to assist members in carrying out their duties.

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Group III organized a cadet advisory council that meets monthly immediately following the group commanders call at the group headquarters. They also started a Group III newsletter entitled the "Third Wave," which will be mailed to all

The Civil Air Patrol flag flies high during the 33rd Annual Massing of the Colors at Lake Eola in Orlando, Fla. Members of the Orlando Cadet Squadron Color Guard participated in the event.

Coast to Coast

members on a monthly basis.
Maj. Mary O. Boyd

TENNESSEE — Lt. Col. **James Barnes**, Tennessee Wing director of cadets, has been teaching basic foundations of drill and aerospace training to members of the Gibson Squadron of Humboldt, Tenn.

Colonel Barnes has also been instructing senior members the fundamentals of the cadet program set forth in the CAP manual for drill competition.

The colonel has been a member of CAP for 37 years. During this time, he has served in command positions for 33 years. His leadership has been evident with disaster relief in several states, including Alaska.

Colonel Barnes has many honors and citations from the U.S. Air Force, CAP, and a treasured three from former Mayor Yorty of Los Angeles.

One example of Colonel Barnes' dedication is when he

recently spent 10 days preparing and training the Pacific Region Drill Team for national competition in California.

Cadets from Gibson County Squadron on the local drill team are: **Jason Johnson, Eric Peacock, E. J. Jones, Christy Wheeler, Scott Walker, Ricky Rushing, Alan Stewart, Mark Seavers, Chris Nelson, Adrian Meadows, Brandon Seavers, Petras Sherlock, Drew Brown, Jan Cooper, Chris Seavers, and Roger Terrell.**

Lt. **Pat Hill**, Gibson County Squadron executive officer, has kept all records of this exercise. Drill practice was held every Saturday for many weeks at the old National Guard Armory in Humboldt, Tenn.

Lt. Col. **Kenneth Perry**, squadron commander, and Lt. Col. **William Darby**, deputy commander, have provided all arrangements for this successful undertaking.

Al Nilsson



Cadets from Gibson County Squadron have been practicing the basic foundations of drill under the instruction Lt. Col. James Barnes, Director of Cadets of the Tennessee Wing.



Three squadrons from Tennessee Wing's Group III formed a drill team to participate in the wing drill team competition held at the Air National Guard Base in Smyrna, Tenn.

Southwest Region

Commander
Col. Thommie D. Herndon

LOUISIANA

— Cadets of the Louisiana Wing are proud to have among their number the recipient of the Ira C. Eaker Award Certificate Number 1 — Cadet **James B. Calcote**.

A member of Civil Air Patrol since March 1993, Cadet Calcote has played an important role in

CAP not only at the squadron level, but at the state and national levels as well.

As a member of the cadet competition team from Louisiana, which represented the Southwest Region, Cadet Calcote served as the volleyball coach. He helped develop and refine the skills needed by his team members in order to take second place in the volleyball competition at the 1995 CAP

National Cadet Competition this past December, while taking overall first place.

An excellent student, Cadet Calcote has taken summer enrichment courses the past three years at Louisiana State University, having shown a keen interest in the sciences. He has been granted early admission to Georgia Institute of Technology, as well as the Louisiana State University Honors College.

Cadet Calcote has been offered a tuition-exemption scholarship to LSU, as well as a Pegues Scholarship from LSU's College of Engineering.

Cadet Calcote has had several unique CAP experiences during his years of involvement. He has attended two Louisiana Wing and one Tennessee Wing summer encampments. Representing the southwest region as a member of the Louisiana Cadet Competition Team for the past two years, he was instrumental in their second-place national standing in 1994 and their first-place standing in 1995.

Cadet Calcote also attended the Air Education and Training Command Familiarization Course at Columbus Air Force Base, Miss.

Among his awards are a Unit Citation, Commander's Commendation, Red Service Ribbon, Model Rocketry Badge, and recognition for meritorious attendance and exemplary performance.

Cadet Calcote was presented his Eaker certificate during the Louisiana Wing Conference held in Lafayette, La., in March.

Presenting the award was Col. **Colin Fake**. The colonel expressed his pride at having the holder of the Eaker Certificate Number 1 from Louisiana.

1st Lt. **Linda Muffoletto**
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Baton Rouge Cadet Squadron made a clean sweep of the cadet squadron honors during the Annual 1996 Louisiana Wing Conference.

The squadron captured Best

Cadet Program honors as well as the Best Cadet Squadron and Outstanding Squadron awards.

Squadron Commander **Joe Muffoletto** was chosen by cadets of the wing to receive the

Red Service Award for outstanding support of the cadet program in 1995. Commander Muffoletto also received a Commander's Commendation for his work with the cadets and seniors of Baton



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LINEBACKER II MEMBERS: In search of CAP members who participated or flew in the 1972 Linebacker II bombing campaign of North Vietnam, please contact Maj. Neil Cosentino, Florida Wing Recruiting Officer, via e-mail at etc2@ix.netcom.com or the following address: FLCAP Wing Recruiting Officer, 708 South Davis Blvd., Tampa, FL 33606.

CAP IN THE RIO GRANDE VALLEY OF TEXAS: In search of former CAP members from Texas to share with us your memories of the CAP in the Rio Grande Valley, especially from 1941 to 1961. For an oral history program, we would like to tape record and preserve your experiences during CAP's early years. Seeking photos, papers, memorabilia and CAP insignia, either as donations or on temporary loan to copy or photograph in order to portray this period more accurately. Contact 1st Lt. Shirley MacDougall, 955 S. Minnesota Ave., Brownsville, TX 78521; phone 210-542-5303 or fax 210-542-5303.

CAP UNIT AND SPECIAL ACTIVITIES PATCHES: In search of CAP unit and special activities patches to be part of the CAP display each May at the Andrews AFB, M.D., Armed Forces Day Open House. The two-day open house is the nation's largest and attracts more than 900,000 people. Be sure your unit is represented! For more details, please call Lt. Col. A. William Schell Jr. at (410) 273-6610 or write to him at 403 Grayslake Way, Aberdeen, MD 21001.

FORMER CADETS WITH OLD-STYLE PLASTIC CADET RIBBONS AND METAL CAP NAME PLATES: In search of former cadets who have old-style plastic cadet ribbons and metal CAP name plates (particularly the IACE, Goddard and Wright Brothers ribbons or name plate). Contact Maj. Jayson Altieri at (919) 876-7536 or write to 4717A Walden Pond, Raleigh, NC 27604.

NAMED WORLD WAR II AIR MEDAL TO CIVIL AIR PATROL AIRCREWMAN: Serious collector and 30-year CAP member working on World War II display. Need original Air Medal from World War II to CAP member. Must be named to recipient on the reverse or have original award certificate included. Willing to pay \$100. Contact Lt. Col. Skip Pfeiffer at 1401 Druid Rd., Maitland, FL 32751 or call (407) 644-0085.

MANUALS, SCHEMATICS, PRE-WORLD WAR II LIGHT AIRCRAFT RECEIVER "RCA AVR 20-A" AND TRANSMITTER "EVT 112A": Both are high-frequency pieces of equipment (2300 to 6500 kilohertz). Any help will be greatly appreciated and any expense will be reimbursed. Contact 1st Lt. Kenneth H. Hickman at 3707 Maywood Ave., Baton Rouge, LA 70806-3225 or call (504) 344-7213.

Ira C. Eaker Certificate Number 1 is presented to Cadet James Calcote at the March 1996 Wing Conference by Louisiana Wing Commander Col. Colin Fake.



SPAATZ WINNER



Gen. Carl A. Spaatz Award winner Cadet Col. Pam Sever poses for a picture with her grandfather and award presenter, retired Maj. Gen. Edward McGough III. The cadet is the 14th New Mexico cadet to earn the award. She is a junior at Florida Technical University and was active in the Eagle Composite Squadron, Kirtland AFB, N.M.

CADET CONFERENCE



The New Mexico Wing recently had its first cadet conference in many years. The one-day conference had more than 150 attendees and many activities. The conference took place at Wilson Middle School, just outside Kirtland Air Force

Base. The school is the home of the Black Sheep Middle School Squadron. Pictured in the background are display boards provided by national headquarters.

Rouge Cadet Squadron.

Meritorious Service Awards were given to the members of the Louisiana Cadet Competition Team, which won the Chief of Staff Sweepstakes Award at the 1995 CAP National Cadet Competition in December.

Among the 16-member squad were five members from the Baton Rouge Squadron. Members included: Team Commander **Richard Muffoletto**, Team Deputy Commander **Shaun Landry**, **James Calcote**, **Desiree Denning** and **Matthew Wroten**.

Cadet **Joseph V. Muffoletto Jr.** also received a Meritorious Service Award for his work with the team.

Topping off the night was the selection of Cadet **Richard Muffoletto** as Cadet of the Year for the Louisiana Wing. As commander of the cadet competition team and chairman of the Cadet Advisory Council, Muffoletto has devoted himself to serving CAP. Muffoletto will be attending Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge this fall on an honor's scholarship.

1st Lt. **Linda Muffoletto**

Course. The event took place in the New Mexico Capital Rotunda in Santa Fe.

Lt. **Ken Nava** and Master Sgt. **Alex Vallejos** are part of the Drug Demand Reduction team operating out of Kirtland Air Force Base. The two DDR personnel helped with PJOC last summer.

Due to the large number of Air Force pararescue students, not

enough pararescue personnel were available for the largest Kirtland PJOC — 51 students — in recent years.

The cooperation and support provided by the DDR personnel helped ensure the success of this extremely popular national cadet activity. Also present was Capt. **Stu Hutchins**, commander of the Santa Fe Composite Squadron.

Habra; Squadron 64, La Verne; Squadron 89, Ontario; and Squadron 138, Pico Rivera.

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In support of the First Annual Southern California Fly-in Aerofair were 11 seniors and 37 cadets from Group 15 and 18.

The aerofair was held at the Chino airport in Chino, Calif., in May.

The primary function of the members was controlling traffic during the day and aircraft security at night. When members were not performing their duties, they visited the various exhibits and aircraft displays, such as World War II warbirds, home-builts and experimentals. Later cadets watched aerial performances.

A CAP information and display booth was also among the exhibitors. Maj. **Fred Mahadocon**, Group 15 public affairs officer, operated the booth. He was assisted by Lt. Col. **Ken Hartwell**, who led the two groups.

Chino Cadet Squadron 20 facilities were used by the CAP volunteers as their operational center and camp site. Meals were provided by the sponsors of the aerofair; videos were provided by 2nd Lt. **Brandon Harrison**, Squadron 20 commander.

During and after the show, aerofair sponsors were extremely pleased, and praised the performance of the cadets. Similar and favorable comments were also made by the exhibitors and attendees.

Cadet Master Sgt. **Jason Hinton**, of Squadron 64, was the cadet commander. Units involved were Headquarters Group 1 and 15, and squadrons 20, 21, 29, 56, 64, 89 and 138.

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"Youth In Aviation Day" was a day of opportunity for California Southland's junior and high school students. The students were informed about aviation career and educational opportunities in their communities.

Along with aviation industries, schools and organizations, CAP operated an information and

display booth.

Lt. Col. **Virginia Nelson**, Group 15 commander; Lt. Col. **Ken Hartwell**, Squadron 64 commander; and Maj. **Fred Mahadocon** were present to provide advice and answers to questions from inquiring youths interested in CAP's role in aviation. The May event was sponsored and held at the Aviation Facilities, Inc., Flight Training Center at Fullerton Airport in Fullerton, Calif.

Maj. **Fred Mahadocon**

NEVADA — The Washoe Jeep Squadron Search and Rescue unit honored four long-time members for their retirement and length of service in April at an evening banquet.

Awards were presented to Lt. Col. **Robert A. McQuaid**, for 41 years of service, Capt. **Quincy McComas**, for 35 years of service, Capt. **Edmond B. Crawford**, for 28 years of service, and Capt. **Donald A. Bailey**, for 24 years of service.

A governor's proclamation went to each honoree presented by Col. **Don Schwartz** and Lt. Col. **Robert King**, of the Nevada Wing, on behalf of Nevada Governor Robert Miller.

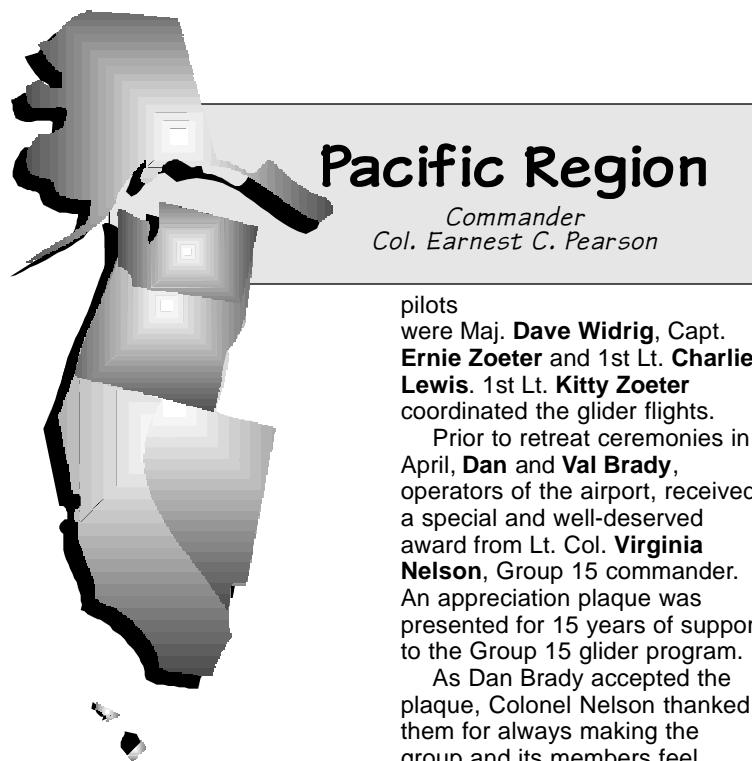
Additional recognition, made on behalf of Washoe County Sheriff **Richard Kirkland**, was presented by former Washoe County sheriffs **Vince Swinney** and **Ernie Jesch**.

The Nevada Wing also presented the four gentlemen with certificates of appreciation — Red Baron awards. The awards were presented by Lt. Col. L. C. **Rick Burge**.

Colonel King served as the master of ceremonies.

Founded in 1950, the Washoe Jeep Squadron is now the oldest continuous land-based search and rescue unit in the United States. The squadron works closely with Nevada's 13 sheriff's offices, the Nevada Division of Emergency Management, the U.S. Air Force, and other civil and military agencies.

Several "saves" and "finds" have been directly attributed to members of the Washoe Jeep Squadron over the years. They also regularly assist charitable



Pacific Region

Commander
Col. **Earnest C. Pearson**

pilots were Maj. **Dave Widrig**, Capt. **Ernie Zoeter** and 1st Lt. **Charlie Lewis**. 1st Lt. **Kitty Zoeter** coordinated the glider flights.

Prior to retreat ceremonies in April, **Dan** and **Val Brady**, operators of the airport, received a special and well-deserved award from Lt. Col. **Virginia Nelson**, Group 15 commander. An appreciation plaque was presented for 15 years of support to the Group 15 glider program.

As Dan Brady accepted the plaque, Colonel Nelson thanked them for always making the group and its members feel welcome, and for their excellent hospitality over the years.

The plaque will occupy a place of honor in the Twentynine Palms Airport office.

For recreation and relaxation, members played volleyball, watched video movies and sat around the fire circle. Moral and spiritual guidance were available from Chaplains Lt. Col. **Dan Dyer** and Capt. **Karl Peterson**. Maj. **Evan Zangenberg**, Capt. **Elizabeth Zangenberg** and Capt. **Gamila Mherian** provided all of the meals.

Participating units included wing headquarters, Ontario; Group 1, Pacoima; Group 15, Chino; Squadron 20, Chino; Squadron 25, Upland; Squadron 29, Norco; Squadron 45, March Air Force Base; Squadron 56, La

CALIFORNIA — Twenty-four seniors and 58 cadets from the Gill Robb Wilson Group 15 took part in Operation Jetstream held at the Twentynine Palms Airport in Twentynine Palms, Calif., in April.

Twenty eight powered flights and 85 glider flights were completed during the two-day operation.

Powered flights were provided by Maj. **Hal Croskno** and 2nd Lt. **Randy Henry**, flying Cessna 182s, and Capt. **Jackie DeCosta**, flying a Cessna 152.

A Piper Pawnee PA25-235 tow-plane piloted by **Tom McErlane**, of the Twentynine Palms Soaring Club, towed three SGS233 gliders over a distance of more than 125,000 feet. Glider

NEW MEXICO — Lt. Col. **Fred Harsany**, New Mexico Wing liaison officer, recently presented an appreciation plaque to the 58 Special Operations Wing and the Air Force Pararescue School for its continuing support to CAP's Pararescue Orientation Course.

Since its inception 17 years ago, more than 2,000 cadets have completed basic and advanced PJOC and many received training in the pararescue school's Pecos training area.

Kirtland Air Force Base had 51 cadets, its largest group in several years, complete the rigorous and challenging course.

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Lt. Col. **Fred Harsany**, New Mexico Wing liaison officer, and Col. **Dennis Manzanares**, New Mexico Wing commander, recently presented an appreciation plaque to the New Mexico Adjutant General, Maj. General **Melvyn Montano**, for his support to the Pararescue Orientation

CALIFORNIA DIVING



2nd Lt. Richard Whaley, right, San Fernando Senior Squadron, improves his search and rescue abilities by training as a scuba rescue diver at Corona Del Mar State Beach. Lieutenant Whaley, a certified emergency medical technician, is shown here with class members carrying a marker float after the first of two five-hour training sessions in the water. In addition to searching, towing and resuscitating, the class also focussed on on-scene assessment, agency coordination and resource management.

organizations with fund raising, radio communication, organization and transportation services. The squadron is well represented as an integral part of the annual Reno Air Races, providing transportation, communications and emergency service assistance.

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The Reno Composite Squadron launched its first search and rescue exercise of 1996, conducting it for the first time using the Sierra Air facilities of at the Reno-Tahoe International Airport.

This exercise, with Nevada Wing Deputy Commander Maj. **Carl Carothers** as mission coordinator, was comprised of 28 personnel and six aircraft. It was attended primarily by members of the Reno Composite Squadron, complemented with two aircrews from the Carson City Composite

Squadron.

Aided by members of the Washoe Jeep Squadron, who placed an emergency locator transmitter and actual aircraft wreckage at pre-determined sites, flight crews were given valuable opportunities to practice both electronic and visual search techniques.

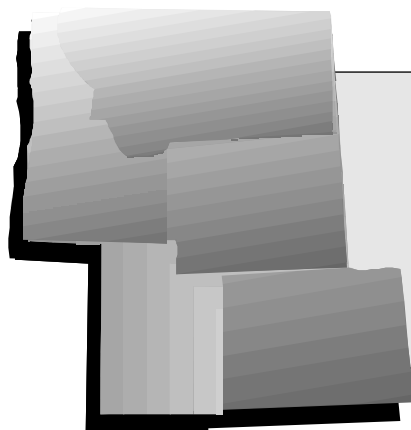
Due to the extraordinary growth recently experienced by the Reno Composite Squadron, several new members got their first taste of airborne search techniques.

The ranks of trained, ground personnel gained new mission briefer and debriefers, operations persons, and mission coordinators. This should come in handy, since 1996 started out as a very busy search season, beginning on Christmas Eve and continuing through January.

Lt. Cynthia S. Ryan



Reno Composite Squadron aircrew members prepare their flight plan before a briefing. The squadron recently conducted its first 1996 search and rescue exercise.



Rocky Mountain Region

Commander
Col. Gary H. Tobey

MONTANA — The Montana Wing participated in the Laurel School District's Aviation Education Week in Laurel, Mont., in late April and early May.

The Laurel Aviation Education Week is held every two years and each year has grown to become the largest aviation education week organized by any public school district in the country. The event has become a significant money-making community activity for the local businesses which support the effort.

Approximately 51 schools, 400 teachers and 9,800 students from kindergarden to 12th grade participated. More than 200 military and civilian aircraft were displayed, and 130 guest speakers, six Civil Air Patrol senior members and 30 cadets were involved.

Several of the aerospace businesses and government agencies that participated this year included: NASA, FAA, Montana Aeronautics Division, Boeing Aircraft Company, Corporate Air, Lynch Flying Service, Northern Skies Aviation, McDonnell-Douglas, U.S. Air Force, Montana Air National Guard, U.S. Army, U.S. Navy, U.S. Marine Corps, U.S. Coast Guard, Rocky Mountain College Aviation Dept., Bio-Diesel Systems, the Montana Pilots Association's South Central Montana Hangar, Chapter 57 of Yellowstone Valley Experimental Aircraft Association, and Montana Wing.

Lt. Col. **Ken Lamkin**, CAP liaison officer assigned to the Montana Wing, set up a CAP display booth and gave presentations to middle and high school students about the cadet program and careers in the Air Force. 1st Lt. **Stephen Enzinger**, assisted Colonel Lamkin at the booth.

Montana Wing's participation in the aviation week was organized by Capt. **Steven Heffel**. Participating were 30 cadets from Beartooth Composite Squadron, in Billings, Mont., Fort Keogh Composite Squadron, in Miles City, Mont., and Helena Flight, from the state capital.

Cadet Lt. Col. **Matthew Wemyess** was the cadet commander, Cadet Maj. **Zarek Pilakowski** was the cadet deputy commander, and Cadet Capt. **Steven Walser** was the cadet executive officer for the aviation activities at the Laurel Municipal Airport.

Cadets provided various services in support of the aviation-week activities such as:

marshaling aircraft to and from the aircraft parking area, crowd control while aircraft were taxiing, guard duty around aircraft, and directing automobile traffic to and from the designated parking area. Cadets also assisted Air Force and Montana Air National Guard recruiters at their recruiting booths.

The Yellowstone Valley EAA and Hardee's Restaurant provided free meals for all military pilots and CAP members who participated. Yellowstone County Sheriff's Reserve was ready to back up CAP in the event of an emergency.

Cadets were able to see educational exhibits set up by the various organizations that participated in the aviation week. Cadets found great interest in an exhibit presented by BioDiesel Systems, which had an automobile engine capable of running on a variety of fuels. Other attractions included fly bys by F-16s, B-52Hs, C-130s, several military helicopters, and a couple of ultralight aircraft.

Local school district and city officials appreciated the support that Montana Wing members provided and were impressed by the CAP cadets.

As a result of the strong interest expressed in the CAP cadet program by Laurel School District students, Beartooth Composite Squadron will try to establish a new cadet program in Laurel beginning in the middle of June. Maj. **Alan Bentley**, Beartooth Composite Squadron commander, has appointed Captain Heffel as the flight commander to spearhead this exciting effort.

Capt. Steven Heffel

COLORADO — Members of Mustang Cadet Squadron patted themselves on the back recently at its annual holiday potluck. More than 200 squadron members, family members, friends, and invited guests participated in the event, which was dubbed "the event of the year" by many members.

The distinguished visitors who joined the celebration were: Col. **Wayne Schultz**, vice wing commander of the 140th Tactical Fighter Wing; Col. **James C. Bobick**, CAP National Headquarters chief of staff; Col. **Robert Kirkwood**, former Rocky Mountain Region commander; Col. **Gary Tobey**, Rocky Mountain Region commander and former Colorado Wing; Col. **Ross Bradie**, commander of the Rocky Mountain Liaison Region; Lt. Col. **Nathan Baum**, Rocky

Mountain Region legal officer; Lt. Col. **Jack Buschmann**, Rocky Mountain Region Cadet Program director; Lt. Col. **William Payne**, Colorado/Wyoming Air Force liaison officer; Senior Master Sgt. **Armando Argiz**, Colorado/Wyoming Air Force.

First on the agenda was the swearing-in ceremony for new cadets joining Mustang Cadet Squadron. The cadet oath was administered by cadet commander Cadet Maj. **Michael Cain** to the following: **Allen Banick, Cory Bennett, Caleb Craig, Madhu Lyengar, Justin Jones and Christopher McMahon**.

The presentation of First Stripe certificates were awarded to cadets having successfully completed Mustang's First Stripe program, which provides assistance to new cadets in completing their first achievement. The cadets who received certificates were: **Thomas Arthur, Joseph Casabona, Jason Coley, David Dolezal, Patrick Duran, Nicole Hemschoot, Robert Holm, Patrick Keelan, Kevin Leversor, Jeff Musat, Jimmy Owenby, Tristan Teich, Sean Williams, and Brian Wyatt**.

Colonel Kirkwood presented the following promotions: **Michael Cain** to cadet lieutenant colonel; **Jeff deGroot** and **Kyle Warf** to cadet flight officer; **David Kriegbaum** and **Kendra Whiteley** to cadet master sergeant; **Cody Comer** to cadet technical sergeant; **Sean Williams** to cadet sergeant; and **Joseph Casabona, Jason Coley, David Dolezal, Nicole Hemschoot, and Brian Wyatt** to cadet airman.

Mustang cadets have been earning their Earhart Awards in record numbers, and four were presented that evening. Presentations were made by Colonels Schultz, Bobick and Bradie. The cadets who received awards were: Cadet Lt. Col. **Michael Cain**, Cadet Cpts. **Adrienne Bollig, Michael Deaver and Aleks Udris**.

The General Carl Spaatz Award was presented to Cadet Col. **Joshua Cadice** — the first recipient of this award in the Mustang Cadet Squadron. Colonel Payne, who administered the Spaatz exam to Cadet Cadice, made the announcement he passed the test on his first try. Cadet Cadice is the 1,276th person to receive the award that was created 30 years ago. Colonel Cadice is truly part of an elite group.

The senior members were also recognized at the potluck event. **Wayne Austgen** received the Membership Award Ribbon for completion of Level I training. He was then promoted to 2nd lieutenant. His brand-new epaulets were pinned on by Maj. **Barbara Gentry**, squadron commander, and his son Cadet Airman First Class **Eric Austgen**. A certificate of proficiency was presented to 2nd Lt. **Linda Bollig** for completion of Level II training.

A presentation of special awards for excellent service to CAP was administered by

Colonel Tobey, who presented Recruiter Ribbons to Cadets Warf and Williams for each recruiting two new CAP members. Colonel Tobey also presented Red Service Ribbons to Cadets Udris and deGroot, Cadet Technical Sgt. **Katherine Baker**, Capt. **Christopher Bowick**, and Lieutenant Bollig. Also earning his Red Service Ribbon, but not present that evening, was Cadet Staff Sgt. **Kevin McSparron**.

Mustang's merit point system was developed as a motivational tool. Cadets earn merit points every meeting night. At the end of the quarter, points are totalled and a cadet of the quarter is awarded. Major Gentry announced the Cadet of the Quarter for the 4th quarter of 1995 — Cadet Airman First Class **Thomas Arthur**.

The presentation of squadron certificates of appreciation for those who have been supportive of the squadron was presented to Colonel Schultz, of the Colorado Department of Military Affairs, for their continuing support and the use of meeting facilities. Maj. **Gregory Cadice** and Master Sgt. **Joyce Johnson Copeland** were recognized for their help with the Buckley Base "Shadow" Program.

The following were recognized for their assistance with the cadet competition team: Lt. Col. **Williason Gentry**, **Lark Warf**, Major **Cadice**, Senior Member **Karen Whiteley**, Lieutenant Bollig and **Susan Cadice**. Also recognized for their help with the team were: **Yong Lee**, of Katz Tailor Shop, **Dee Meek** and **Monica Analzo**, of the Air Force Academy Exchange.

The next segment of the evening was devoted to the 1995 CAP National Cadet Competition. Members were first treated to a viewing of the 12-minute video tape created by CAP National Headquarters at the national cadet competition.

After the video, the 16 cadets who participated at NCC were introduced: **Katherine Baker**, **Adrienne Bollig**, **April Bowman**, **Joshua Cadice**, **Brett Cain**, **Cody Comer**, **Jeff deGroot**, **David Kohler**, **David Kriegbaum**, **Kevin Levenson**, **Kevin McSparron**, **Adam Sorkin**, **Aleks Udris**, **Kyle Warf**, **Neil Warf**, and **Kendra Whiteley**. Colonels Kirkwood and Buschmann presented Commander's Commendation Awards to each of the cadets and to Colonel Gentry. Major Gentry was presented with the Meritorious Service Award.

Major Gentry recognized the cadets who participated in the following events: canned food drive for COMPA Food Ministries Thanksgiving Outreach, in which the squadron collected 1,600 cans; Littleton Historical Museum Holiday's Eve; Buckley Base "Shadow" Program; World War II Victory Parade in Denver; Veteran's Day Parade in Colorado Springs; and the Aerospace Education Day at the U.S. Air Force Academy.

Colonel Schultz presented special awards from the

Colorado National Guard to Cadet Capt. **Aleks Udris**, Cadet Master Sgt. **David Kriegbaum**, and Cadet Master Sgt. **Kendra Whiteley** for their assistance at the National Guard's ground-breaking ceremony at Front Range Airport.

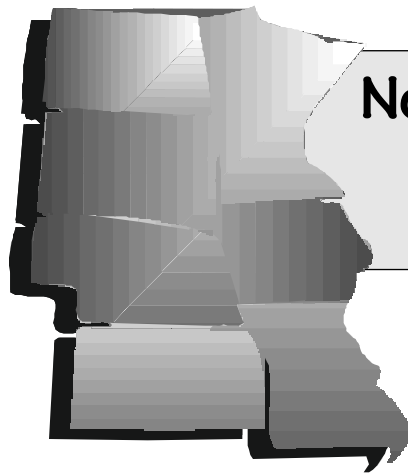
Major Gentry presented a Mustang Cadet Squadron T-shirt to Colonel Schultz for his help with the evening festivities.

Colonel Tobey presented a

Commander's Commendation Award to Lt. Col. **Robert Beabout** for his work on the 1995 Flight Training Activities.

The last special presentation was given to Colonel and Major Gentry. They were given framed portraits of the cadets and senior members of the squadron for their time dedication, support, understanding and love.

Cadet Master Sgt. Kendra Whiteley



North Central Region

*Commander
Col. Nicholas J. Knutz*

the St. Croix Squadron Color Guard — winners of the 1995 Minnesota Wing Color Guard Competition.

Although North Central Region Commander Col. **Nicholas Knutz** could not be present, Col. **Chris Donaldson**, Minnesota Wing commander, spoke on his behalf. He discussed the broad area review suggestions and the possibility of CAP taking on the duties of the Air Force Rescue Coordination Center at Langley Air Force Base in Hampton, Va.

Col. **Jerry Hokkanen**, commander of the North Central Region Air Force Liaison Office, reminded members to communicate their needs for funding maintenance to wing representatives. He introduced his staff: Mr. **Joe Krassler**; Lt. Col. **Bruce Mason**, Master Sgt. **Jeff Forseth** and Technical Sgt. **Rex Harris**.

Maj. **Michael Mandy** was hired as the Minnesota Wing CAP-U.S. Air Force liaison officer. He is looking forward to working with the wing again and introduced his staff: Sgt. **Cavendar**, **Mark Welty**, and Air Force Reserve Coordinator Maj. **Debra Savageau**, who was unable to attend.

Former Wing and North Central Region commanders recognized at the general assembly were: Col. **Roger Frye**, Col. **Lorraine Timmerman**, Col. **Richard Murphy**, and Col.

Dennis Rock. Also present was Mrs. **JoAnn Brandon**, wife of former Minnesota Wing Commander, the late Col. **Al Brandon**.

Colonel Donaldson was relatively reminded the assembly of the importance of introducing new blood to the temporary assignment duty program at wing headquarters.

Unit commanders concluding their tour during 1995 were: 1st Lt. **Stefan Salmonson**, Rum River Squadron; Capt. **Lois Schloesser**, Westota Squadron; Maj. **Bernard Harstad**, Worthington Squadron; 1st Lt. **Melvin Luepke**, Bennmidji Squadron; Lt. Col. **Dennis Ostlund**, Group IV; Capt. **Leslie Drake**, Crow Wing Squadron; 1st Lt. **Tsutomu Takada**, Farmington Flight; and Capt. **Robert Johnson**, Rochester Squadron. Those who served less than three years were awarded a Certificate of Appreciation and those who served more than three years were presented with a plaque.

Sgt. Maj. **Mary Dunphy**, who has been commanding a group of members from Washburn High School in Minneapolis, reached 29 cadets and four seniors. Colonel Donaldson awarded Sergeant Dunphy with a National Organization Charter No. 21131, resulting in the creation of the Col. Cabana Cadet Squadron. Colonel Donaldson then promptly promoted Sergeant Dunphy to first lieutenant upon her appointment as squadron commander.

Two members of the Minnesota Wing Headquarters retired in 1995 — Capt. **David Konshok** and 1st Lt. **William Franklin**. Captain Konshok served CAP from July 1976 to July 1995 and Lieutenant Franklin served from January 1968 to June 1995.

During general assembly, several awards were presented, such as the Specialty Accomplishment Award to Capt. **Francis Klein** and 1st Lt. **Greg Blakely**. Members receiving the Commander's Commendation were: Capt. **Paul Bartz**, St. Paul Squadron; Lt. Col. **Kristina Goossens**, Anoka Squadron; and Lt. Col. **Robert Miller**, North Star Cadet Squadron;

The 1994 Minnesota Wing/NCR National Cadet Competition

Team included: **Matthew Bratvold**, **Daniel Payette**, **Bonnie Brings**, **Langdon Perry**, **Jonathan Condor**, **Richie Peterson**, **Laura Richards**, **John Dirico**, **Heidi Solberg**, **Jeremy Geiser**, **Julie Williams**, **Nathan Griffin**, **Christopher Vanstrom**, **Mitchell Hesley**, 1st Lt. **David Jadwin**, **Christopher Malo**, **Duane Meske**, 1st Lt. **Beverly Oberg** and **Jonathan Owen**.

Awards presented after the luncheon included: Family of the Year received by **Gayle, Richard** and **Dean Boyer**, from the St. Croix Squadron. Wing Headquarters Staff Person of 1995 was presented to Capt. **Michael Hartell**. The Wilbur Coffin Memorial Award went to 2nd Lt. **Mary Russel Oberg**, of the St. Paul Squadron.

The Gill Robb Wilson Award was presented to Chaplain **Robert Miller**, Grand Rapids Squadron; Lt. Col. **Bruce Hegrenes**, Duluth Squadron; Lt. Col. **Lynn Hegrenes**, Group I headquarters. Maj. **Bill Cleary**, Minnesota Wing headquarters, was presented the Certificate of Recognition for Lifesaving; Capt. **Lois Schloesser**, Westota Squadron, received the Commander's Commendation for Unit Commander of 1995; Cadet Col. **Heidi Solberg**, Valley Cadet Squadron, earned the Commander's Commendation for Minnesota Wing Cadet of 1995; 2nd Lt. **Stephen Miller**, Valley Cadet Squadron, was presented the Commander's Commendation for Senior Member of the Year; and Capt. **Kevin Swanson**, commander of the Mankato Squadron, accepted the Squadron of Merit Award.

Capt. **Paul Bartz**, St. Paul Squadron, earned the Bronze Medal of Valor for prompt and decisive action involving a stalled car in the middle of five-lane interstate traffic.

Highlights of the conference were when **Julie Williams** and Maj. **Clark Carlson** received the Minnesota Wing Unit of 1995 on behalf of the squadron, and the National Citation Award and streamer.

Criteria for this award included areas such as timely submission of reports, aircraft hours, membership recruitment and retention and public affairs.

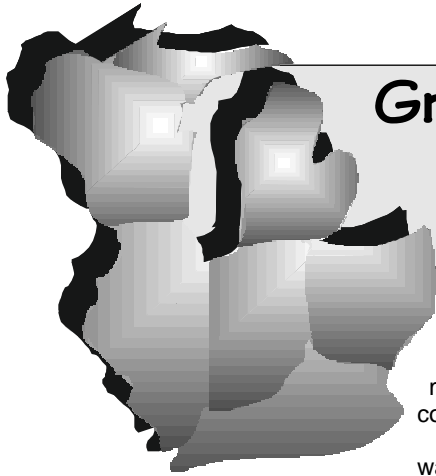
READY TO ROLL



The Minnesota Wing CAP Headquarters hosted the annual Search and Rescue Exercise at the Downtown St. Paul Airport May 18-19. Despite some poor weather conditions, the daytime sorties ran

without a hitch. The missions were conducted as if they were actual emergencies which helped the Minnesota Wing earn an excellent rating from Air Force evaluators.

Coast to Coast



Great Lakes Region

Commander
Col. Deniz Allen

OHIO — The Ohio Wing held a wingwide search and rescue exercise in April at the Celina Airport in western Ohio.

More than 90 cadets and senior members signed in at the mission base by 7 p.m. on the first night.

After signing in, the cadets began to set up their military-style tents for their billeting during the mission. The task became increasingly difficult for the cadets to complete when the wind began to gust across the tarmac.

By 8:30 p.m., the cadets were instructed to pull the center poles from their tents and pack up any fragile civilian-style tents. By this time, the wind was gusting in excess of 35 mph and the cadets moved inside two separate hangars for the night.

By 1 a.m. the following day, the roofs of the hangars began to shutter. Mission Coordinator Maj. Kevin Dwight ordered all personnel to evacuate the mission base and report to the nearby Montezuma Community Fire Station for safety.

During the next three to four hours, the winds gusted in excess of 50 mph. Damage to local buildings were beginning to be assessed and reported to local authorities. This included damage done to the roof of a local school building.

The worst portion of the storm spawned 31 tornadoes in Illinois and Indiana, which had passed by 6 a.m. the following morning. All personnel were instructed to return to the mission base and continue their exercises.

Due to high winds continuing throughout the day, air opera-

tions were almost non-existent. Of the 12 aircraft scheduled to participate in the mission, only one was able to contribute to the exercise.

The air mission conducted was a video reconnaissance mission. The aircrew demonstrated video taping disaster relief damage assessment for the Ohio Emergency Operations Center in conjunction with the Ohio Emergency Management Agency.

Despite the high winds and occasional rain, the ground operations portion of the mission proceeded as scheduled. The only change to the ground operations exercises was the missing-person search, which would have involved an emergency airlift helicopter. The airlift had to be cancelled due to weather conditions.

Six separate ground-team exercises were conducted with six different scenarios including a missing person search, two emergency locator transmitter searches, radiological monitoring, damage assessment and Red Cross assistance. Training was conducted in flightline procedures, basic emergency services, hazardous material decontamination procedures and first aid.

A total of 155 members were involved in the missions. Sixty-three seniors and 92 cadets represented 19 squadrons, six groups, the Great Lakes Region, and two U.S. Air Force representatives, as well as the Ohio Wing liaison officers.

Outside observers and participants included state and local EMA representatives, the Montezuma Community Volunteer Fire Department, Grand Lake St. Mary's Amateur Radio Club and Lakefield Pilots Association.

The mission coordinator, Major Dwight was commended

for his decision making throughout the exercise. "The exercise was possible and successful because of his leadership. His ability to overcome emergency situations throughout the storms of the first night and continue to lead until the conclusion of the mission, proved him to be an excellent mission coordinator," stated wing officials.

1st Lt. Steven Limbacher

OHIO — In Kettering, base closings have hit many communities across the country as well as around the world.

The Mark N. Shirk Composite Squadron 704, part of Ohio Wing's Group VII, has been added to the long list of casualties resulting from base closings.

For the past 39 years, this squadron has been at the Defense Electronics Supply Center located at the Gentile Air Force Station. With the military pulling out of the installation, the property has been turned over to the city of Kettering, a suburb of Dayton, Ohio.

Shirk squadron was fortunate to have several offices, a classroom area, large indoor drill pad, storage rooms and unlimited accessibility. Consequently, many of the wing, regional and group color guard and drill team competitions were held at this site. Personnel have been housed at this location during air shows and other events.

In March, the Shirk squadron bid a fond farewell to DESC. The squadron had a special ceremony where the flag was brought down, folded and handed to Maj. Ann O'Brien, squadron commander, and Cadet 2nd Lt. Jessica Robinson, cadet commander.

Several guests who had been associated with the squadron attended the last meeting. Some of the guests included: Ohio Wing Commander Col. Jacqueline Hartigan; Lt. Col. Robert Hartigan, regional director for Cadet Programs; Lt. Col. Sponseller, wing vice commander; Lt. Col. James Mitchell, former squadron commander; Maj. Spurling, commander of squadron 705 and former cadet of 704. Other former squadron seniors and

cadets also attended.

After the squadron received an eviction notice, senior members, cadets and parents made an exhaustive search for a new location.

The National Guard in Kettering, Ohio, has since generously made space for the use of squadron meetings. Unfortunately, no space was available for storage and the squadron's belongings are spread out amongst all the seniors' homes.

Another era begins for squadron 704 at their new location. The first meeting at the Armory was in April. The flag was handed back to the cadets and raised once again.

1st Lt. Chris Colleary

OHIO — Cadets David Drieling and Chuck Wright, from Piqua, Ohio, are both students at Wilder Junior High School and members of the Piqua Don Gentile Squadron.

The two participated in a squadron-sponsored class in model building as part of their work toward earning the Gen. John F. Curry Award.

Both Drieling and Wright were recently promoted to cadet airman and achieved the Curry award. In order to qualify for the award, the two cadets had to complete work in study skills, self management, Air Force customs and courtesies, aerospace training, orientation flights, and physical training.

Col. Richard Slone



PANAMA — Cadets and senior members of the Howard Air Force Base Cadet Squadron at Albright Air Force Station had the opportunity to tour Rodman Naval Station in April for an orientation of Army and Navy vessels assigned to the Republic of Panama.

Ten members from the squadron participated in the six-hour orientation.

Shortly after members arrived at Rodman, they were briefed by Navy Chief Petty Officer Jim Ferens, of Navy Special Boat Unit 26. Chief Petty Officer Ferens instructed members on the variety of military units supported by Navy special boat units, such as the Navy SEALs, Army Special Forces, Army Ranger units and Marine reconnaissance units.

Cadets also were shown personal weapons and equip-

ment carried by the crews of the Navy's 25' patrol boat light. Some of these included the 5.56 mm M-16 rifle, Winchester 12 gauge shotgun, the Berreta 9 mm pistol and second-chance body armor.

Squadron members also had the opportunity to view Patrol Boat 735. A patrol boat river class, these vessels are designed to operate for up to 10 days conducting convoy escort and fire support for smaller vessels. These boats still serve as platforms for special operations insertions, extractions and counterdrug operations.

The morning ended for the CAP members with a tour of the U.S. Army Vessel Five Forks. The Five Forks, a U.S. Army Transportation Corps vessel, is assigned to the 1097th Transportation Company at Rodman. The members were given a tour of

One of the requirements Cadets David Drieling and Chuck Wright, of Ohio's Piqua Squadron, met before achieving the Gen. John F. Curry Award was participating in a model-building class.



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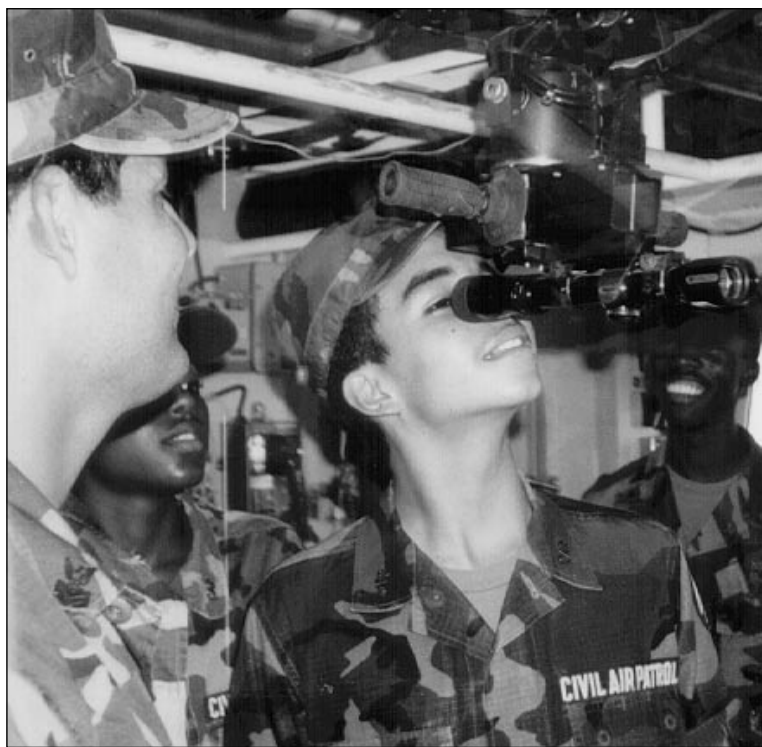
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Coast to Coast



Cadet Steven Jamarillo looks through a range finder on the USS Hurricane during orientation at Rodman Naval Station in Panama.

the boat by the Vessel Master Chief Warrant Officer Two Donald Topping.

In addition to the Five Forks, members were allowed to visit an Army landing craft utility and were instructed on the uses and missions of the vessel. Some of the cadets were surprised to

learn the Army has its own vessel operation unit.

After lunch CAP members found themselves on board the USS Hurricane, one of the smallest commissioned class ships in the U.S. Navy. In addition to the ship capabilities briefing, members also learned a

little about Navy tradition.

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During April at Albrook Air Force Station in Panama, two cadets from the Howard Air Force Base Cadet Squadron had the opportunity to participate in the Army's Military Police Command Law Enforcement Intern Program at Fort Clayton.

The cadets participated in a three-hour law enforcement orientation.

The Military Police Command program is designed for young people to spend time working with a variety of sections in the U.S. Army Provost Marshal's Office and see for themselves the duties and responsibilities of a military police soldier.

The areas that cadets work in include: physical security, traffic, installation detention facilities and desk operations.

The MPC Intern Program, made up of three separate phases, allows cadets and students to work and observe military police activities.

The first phase begins with the cadets and students spending time working at the provost marshal's office during spring break or after school.

The second phase involves participating in a "ride along" with the military police to observe

the patrols on the road.

The last phase allows students to submit their names for summer hire programs at Fort Clayton.

Cadets were welcomed by Sgt. First Class Elizabeth Hope, assigned to the Military Police Command. Sergeant Hope is a veteran of operations Just Cause and Desert Shield.

Cadets began the tour by

observing the guard mount where all of the soldiers' 9 mm pistols and uniforms were insected prior to their patrol.

In addition to riding with a patrol, the cadets were given the opportunity to talk to soldiers at Fort Clayton's main gate.

The orientation ended with the cadets receiving an outbriefing from Sergeant Hope.

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Cadet Steven Jaramillo, left, learns about military police operations from Army Specialist Gilbert of the U.S. Army Provost Marshal's Office in Panama.



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